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FM AMEMBASSY KINGSTON

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1594

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EO 11652: NA

TAGS: EAIR JM

SUBJ: AIR JAMAICA

REF: KINGSLEY/STYLES TELCON JULY 2

FOR STYLES

1. MINISTER OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION  
ERIC BELL EXPECTS ARRIVE WASHINGTON AFTERNOON JULY 9  
AND WOULD LIKE APPOINTMENT WITH STYLES AT 4:00 PM  
JULY 9. PURPOSE OF VISIT IS TO DISCUSS POSSIBILITY  
OF US CARRIER BEING GRANTED INTERIM LICENSE TO OPERATE  
NEW YORK/JAMAICA ROUTE. A.J. NOW HAS 70-80 PCNT OF TRAFFIC  
OUT OF NEW YORK AND IS EXTREMELY VULNERABLE TO STRIKES.  
ACCORDINB BELL, AIR JAMAICA HAS APPROACHED EASTERN WHO  
HAS INDICATED WILLINGNESS TO REVIEW SITUATION EVERY FEW  
MONTHS. BELL ALSO TOLD AMBASSADOR HE UNDERSTOOD  
AMERICAN MIGHT BE INTERESTED BUT GOJ HAS NOT YET BEEN  
IN TOUCH WITH AIRLINE DIRECTLY. HOWEVER, P.J.  
PATTERSON, MINISTER OF INDISTRY, TOURISM, AND  
FOREIGN TRADE GOING TO BRUSSELS NEXT WEEK VIA NEW YORK,  
AND PATTERSON EXPECTS CONTACT AMERICAN OFFICIALS AT  
THAT TIME.

2. COMMENT: GOJ DESPERATELY TRYING RETRIEVE WHAT REMAINS  
OF BADLY CRIPPLED TOURIST INDUSTRY BY STARTING NEW  
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PROMOTION CAMPAIGN IN NEXT 5-6 WEEKS. AIR JAMAICA

ALREADY PREVIOUSLY HAMPERED BY STRIKES OF GROUND  
CREWS AND FLIGHT ATTENDENTS. AS MONOPOLY CARRIER ON  
IMPORTANT ROUTE, AIR JAMAICA INCREASINGLY VULNERABLE  
AND NEEDS BACKUP BY ALTERNATE CARRIER IF TOURIST PROMOTION  
TO BE EFFECTIVE.  
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